REMARKS

Claims 29-33 are presently pending and stand rejected. Claims 1-28 are cancelled without prejudice.

Examiner objected to claims 29-33 (previously numbered 27-31). Assignee has renumbered these claims are requested by Examiner. Accordingly, Assignee respectfully requests that Examiner withdraw the rejection.

Claim 29 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious from the combination of Shoobridge in view of Mills. Claim 29 is amended to recite, among other limitations, "detecting battery usage with an absence of AC power, wherein battery usage is possible with AC power".

Assignee respectfully submits that Shoobridge in view of Mills does not teach the foregoing. Although Examiner has indicated that a "portable device is typically driven with battery with an absence of AC power. If that is true 'detection of battery usage' in Shoobridge is 'detection of battery usage with an absence of AC power". Office Action at 6.

Assignee respectfully submits that in claim 29 as now amended "detection of battery usage" is not "detecting battery usage with an absence of AC power, wherein battery usage is possible with AC power". Accordingly, Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the rejection to claim 29 and dependent claims 30-33.

Conclusion

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that each of the pending claims are allowable, thereby placing the application in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, a notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

It is believed that all monies for any actions requested in this correspondence are submitted with this correspondence. To the extent that additional monies are required for any actions requested in this correspondence, Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account 13-0017.

Respectfully Submitted,

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